



Wisconsin Crop Progress & Condition

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Wisconsin had 5.6 **days suitable for fieldwork** for the week ending July 26, 2020, according to the USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. Crops responded well to yet another week of hot and muggy conditions. Temperatures were close to average with highs in the upper 80s. Northern Wisconsin had several rounds of spotty thunderstorms throughout the week. There were isolated reports of hail and wind damage to crops but the moisture helped alleviate dry soil conditions in the area. Southern Wisconsin saw little to no precipitation until more widespread rains passed through the state on Sunday evening. Corn and soybeans were moving rapidly through their pollination phases and beginning to make grain. Small grains were being combined. The second cutting of hay was winding down and the third cutting was ramping up. Cranberries were setting fruit.

Topsoil moisture condition was rated 1% very short, 8% short, 80% adequate and 11% surplus. **Subsoil moisture** condition was rated 1% very short, 5% short, 82% adequate and 12% surplus.

Corn silking was 62%, 13 days ahead of last year and 3 days ahead of the 5-year average. Corn at dough stage was 8%, 12 days ahead of last year and 8 days ahead of the average. Corn condition was rated 82% good to excellent statewide, up 1 percentage point from last week.

Soybeans blooming was 81%, 3 weeks ahead of last year and 8 days ahead of the average. Soybeans setting pods was 51%, 17 days ahead of last year and 8 days ahead of the average. Soybean condition was rated 84% good to excellent statewide, up 1 percentage point from last week.

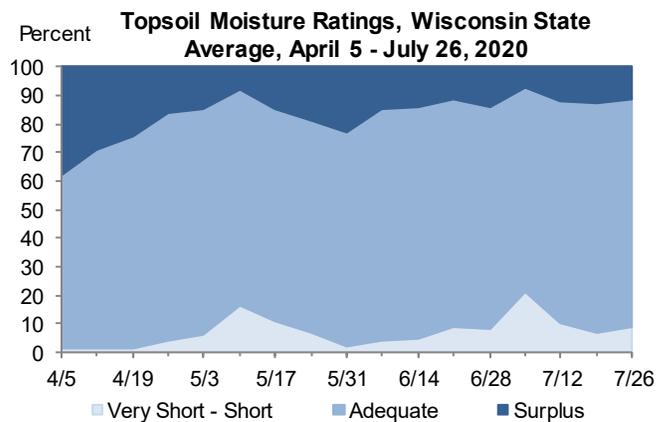
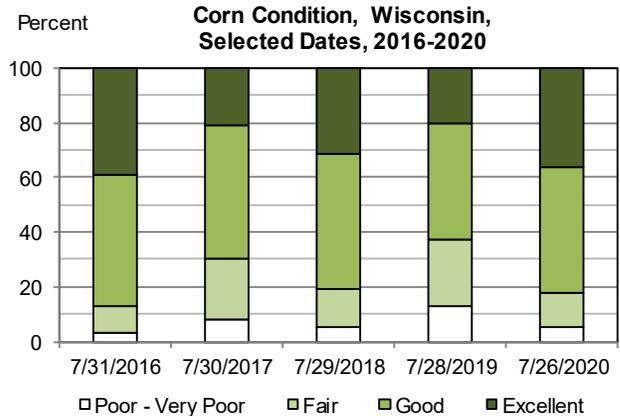
Oats coloring was 88%, 17 days ahead of last year and 8 days ahead of the average. Oats harvested was 9%, 3 days ahead of last year but 2 days behind the average. Oat condition was rated 84% good to excellent statewide, unchanged from last week.

Potato harvest has begun with 5% of the crop harvested. Potato condition was rated 89% good to excellent statewide, down 5 percentage points from last week.

Winter wheat harvested for grain was 34%, a week ahead of last year and a day ahead of the average. Winter wheat condition was rated 79% good to excellent statewide, down 1 percentage point from last week.

Second cutting of **alfalfa** was reported as 86% complete, 8 days ahead of last year but a day behind the average. Third cutting of **alfalfa** was reported as 17% complete, a week ahead of last year but a day behind the average. **All hay** condition was reported 83% good to excellent statewide, up 6 percentage points from last week.

Pasture condition was rated 79% good to excellent statewide, up 1 percentage point from last week.



Crop Condition as of July 26, 2020

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	2	3	13	46	36
Hay, All	1	3	13	53	30
Oats	1	2	13	53	31
Pasture & range	1	3	17	50	29
Potatoes	1	1	9	68	21
Soybeans	1	2	13	46	38
Winter wheat	1	3	17	51	28

Crop Progress as of July 26, 2020

Item	Districts									State			
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year	5-yr average
	(percent)												
Alfalfa hay, second cutting ..	82	59	88	90	80	91	88	89	94	86	76	73	87
Alfalfa hay, third cutting	2	2	21	35	9	13	15	27	16	17	3	4	21
Corn silking	55	46	28	65	48	46	81	71	85	62	34	23	53
Corn dough	0	0	0	16	5	2	7	13	7	8	1	0	2
Oats coloring	79	80	69	96	87	84	98	94	95	88	72	52	76
Oats harvested	0	0	0	16	16	2	23	13	11	9	3	5	12
Soybeans blooming	78	95	67	87	61	67	87	82	93	81	73	43	67
Soybeans setting pods	37	83	40	53	38	34	64	53	52	51	32	7	31
Winter wheat harvested	3	9	15	44	25	21	25	56	57	34	9	7	30

Days Suitable for Fieldwork and Soil Moisture Condition as of July 26, 2020

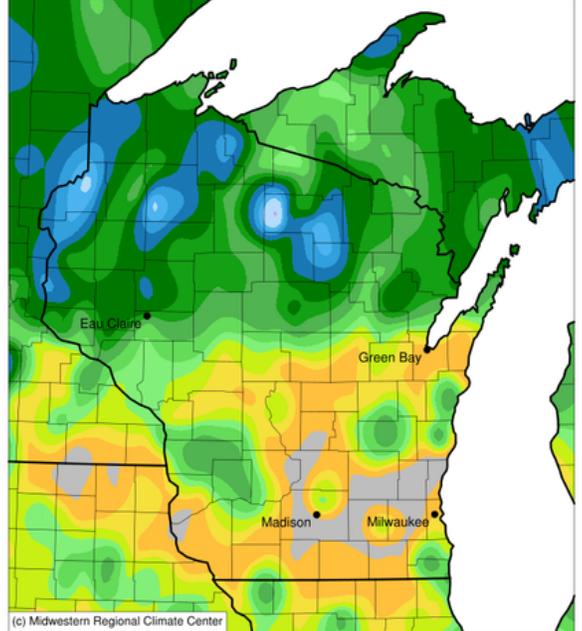
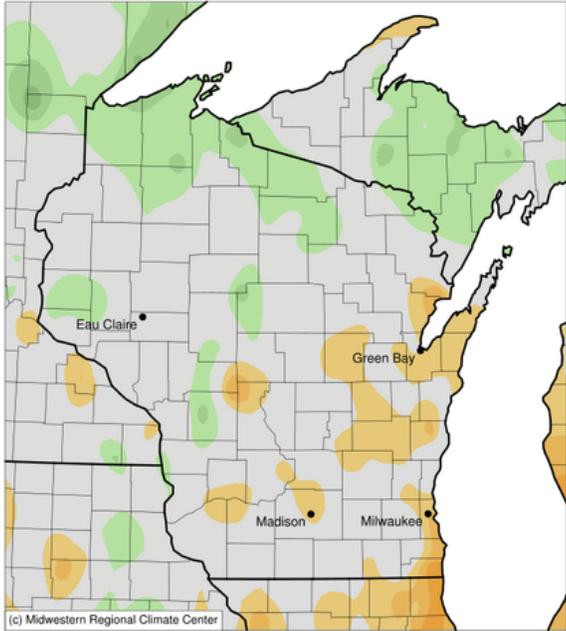
Item	Districts									State		
	NW	NC	NE	WC	C	EC	SW	SC	SE	This week	Last week	Last year
	(days)											
Days suitable	4.1	5.5	5.0	5.3	6.1	5.8	6.4	5.6	5.9	5.6	4.6	5.5
	(percent)											
Topsoil moisture												
Very Short	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	1	1
Short	2	2	8	2	13	6	13	8	30	8	6	5
Adequate	77	67	76	92	83	79	85	78	65	80	80	78
Surplus	21	31	16	6	4	15	2	11	5	11	13	16
Subsoil moisture												
Very Short	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	7	1	1	1
Short	3	1	2	1	8	6	2	8	25	5	6	3
Adequate	83	68	65	94	85	77	97	80	64	82	79	78
Surplus	14	31	32	5	7	17	1	10	4	12	14	18

Wisconsin Temperatures and Precipitation for the week ending July 26, 2020

Maps from the Midwestern Regional Climate Center reflect data collected from 7:00 A.M. Central Time on July 20, 2020, through 7:00 A.M. Central Time on July 26, 2020.

Average Temperature (°F): Departure from 1981-2010 Normals
July 20, 2020 to July 26, 2020

Accumulated Precipitation (in)
July 20, 2020 to July 26, 2020



Stations from the following networks used: WBAN, COOP, FAA, GHCN, ThreadEx, CoCoRaHS, WMO, ICAO, NWSLI, Midwestern Regional Climate Center
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Temperature and Precipitation Maps, courtesy of the Midwestern Regional Climate Center, are available at: <http://mrcc.isws.illinois.edu/CLIMATE/>

National Weather Service data, courtesy of the Wisconsin State Climatology Office, is available at:
<http://www.aos.wisc.edu/~sco/clim-watch/index.html>

Growing Degree Days can be found at <https://mrcc.illinois.edu/U2U/gdd/>

Wisconsin Weekly Weather, Selected Cities, Ending as of 7:00 a.m. on July 26, 2020

City	Temperature						Growing degree days (modified base 50) ¹		Precipitation				
	Avg. max.	Avg. min.	High max.	Low min.	Avg.	Avg. dep. from normal *	Mar. 1 to Jul. 25	Mar. 1 to Jul. 25 normal*	Last Week	Since Jun. 1	Jun. 1 dep. from normal *	Year to date	Year dep. from normal *
Eau Claire	81	61	87	52	71	-1	1583	1545	0.61	8.92	+1.68	17.39	+2.24
Green Bay	80	62	88	57	71	+2	1478	1315	0.04	7.15	+0.43	18.67	+4.56
La Crosse	85	64	93	58	74	+1	1848	1710	0.25	8.32	+0.49	16.13	-0.55
Madison	82	63	89	56	73	+1	1623	1537	0.00	11.05	+3.05	22.16	+5.07
Milwaukee	82	68	89	64	75	+3	1596	1418	0.02	7.20	+0.34	20.14	+4.09

¹Formula used: GDD = (daily maximum (86°) + daily minimum (50°))/2-50°; where 86° is used if the maximum exceeds 86° and 50° is used if the minimum falls below 50°. *Normal based on 1981-2010 data. n.a.=not available. T=trace Source: NCEP/NOAA Climate Prediction Center <http://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov>.

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